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5 Square	6.00	12.00	17.00	28.00	45.00
6 Square	7.00	14.00	20.00	33.00	52.00
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10 Square	11.00	22.00	32.00	53.00	82.00

Announcement of marriages and death notices—free of charge.

Railroad Guide.
Passenger train leave Clarksville as follows: South—7:15 A. M. and 7:25 P. M. North—8:25 A. M. and 8:45 P. M.

OUR subscribers will please examine the printed directory of this paper, and if they are in arrears, will confer a favor by calling and paying up.

READ the advertisement of M. G. Gholson—stock for sale and land to rent.

THE next session of the Tennessee Annual Conference will be held in this city.

THE Democrats in Ohio are certainly masters of the Legislature with a safe majority in both Houses.

REV. W. M. BURR and S. A. Caldwell, Esq., were elected delegates to the General Conference, which meets at Atlanta, Ga., in May, 1878.

R. D. MOSELEY, Trustee, has received the tax books for 1877, and is now crying, "pay your taxes for 1877."

Go and examine the beautiful stock of millinery now being received by Mrs. Rosenfield. Advertisement next week.

WE received an invitation to attend a Grange barbecue at Poplar Grove to-day, Saturday, but regret our inability to attend.

REV. A. D. SEARS will commence a protracted meeting at the Baptist Church to-morrow, and will be assisted by Rev. Mr. Fish, the gospel singer of Nashville.

WE had a call on Thursday from Mr. George L. Alley, formerly of this city, but now of Louisville. George looks as well as ever, and is still enjoying "single blessedness."

REV. W. M. BURR will preach his farewell sermon at the Methodist Church to-morrow, (Sunday), at 11 o'clock. We look for a crowded house.

Don't forget that S. B. Stewart, executor of W. M. Stewart, dec'd, will sell the personal property, at the late residence, to-day, Saturday, commencing at 10 o'clock.

THE new preacher for this Conference year will preach at New Providence church, on Sunday, Oct. 21, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and at Bethel at 7 P. M.

J. E. MOSELEY, Sheriff, advertises, on our fourth page this week, some valuable real estate property for sale. Persons interested would do well to read them.

On Monday Oct. 22d, Sam. Johnson will sell the C. B. Bryan farm situated two miles from the city, on the Southside of the river. Now is the time to buy a good farm.

WE are indebted to Mr. P. H. Keesee for a sample of his turnip crop—three large ones. He has about two acres sown, and if the specimens sent us are fair sample, he will have "plenty and to spare."

THE sneezing chorus missed fire after all on Tuesday night, some of the ladies who were favored with it having taken it for a dog fight. They must try it again; who minds four dollars in such a cause?

It will be seen from an advertisement in another column that R. B. Walthall has purchased the stock of clothing of Wm. Kleemann and will, for the next thirty days, sell it at cost and less than cost. Now is the time to buy.

WE were glad to meet in our office, a few days ago, Mr. Thos. K. Bevens, formerly of this city, but now Express Messenger on the Nashville and Chattanooga railroad. Tom is visiting his relatives in this city.

WE learn that in consequence of a change in their route, the Standard Comedy Company, will not be at Franklin Hall on the 20th inst. They will in all probability, however, be here some time during the season.

A RESOLUTION was unanimously passed by the Conference last week recommending the Rev. Green P. Jackson for the position of Chaplain at Fort Brown, on the Texas frontier, in the United States army. We always thought Green had military aspirations.

DR. C. G. ROYSTER, recently of Paducah, has returned to this county, and has settled at the old homestead in the Northeast part of the county. We are always glad to welcome back our good citizens who have absented themselves.

THE advertisement of Mr. C. R. Lovell will be found in to-day's issue. He is prepared to do any kind of upholstering, and keeps on hand at all times a full line of furniture. We commend him to our readers as a competent workman.

THE Franklin House is said to be the best hotel between Louisville and Memphis, and equal to any in the country. This is gratifying, inasmuch as strangers generally judge a town by its hotel accommodations. Clarksville can boast not only of a good hotel, but also of several first-class boarding houses.

Tennessee Annual Conference.
The Conference adjourned last Thursday at 1 o'clock. We expected to have been able to give the full list of appointments, but have not been able to procure them up to the time of going to press. We however, give the Clarksville District committee, with others in part:

CLARKSVILLE DISTRICT.
Wm. Moore, Presiding Elder.
Clarksville Sta., R. K. Brown; J. W. Hargrove, Secy.
New Providence and Bethel, J. W. Hargrove, Jr.
Montgomery Cl., L. H. Hensley.
Bloomington Grove, Ch., R. P. Galloway.
Selling, Ch., S. C. Collier.
Palmira Cl., Enoch L. Jones.
Selling, Ch., W. C. Collier.
Christianity Cl., E. W. Johnson.
Ashland City, Wm. A. Turner.
Asbury Cl., A. T. Goodloe; G. W. Brown, Sup.
Royal and Salem Sta., R. C. Craig.
A. B. Cooke, Secy.
Cedar Hill Cl., W. A. Turner; S. N. Griffin, Sup.
River Cl., G. W. Martin.
Springfield Station Sta., R. F. Hayes; S. D. Smith, Sup.
J. H. Plummer, Clarksville Female Academy.

NASHVILLE DISTRICT.
R. K. Hargrove, Presiding Elder.
McKendree, Ch., E. Kelly.
Elm Street, W. M. Lettice.
Carroll Street, L. L. Moody.
Tullahoma, J. P. V. Ferry.
FRANKLIN DISTRICT.
J. F. Hughes, Presiding Elder.
Franklin Station, Wm. Butt.
COLUMBIA DISTRICT.
J. D. Barlow, Presiding Elder.
Columbia Station, Wm. Butt.
Pleasant Valley Cl., T. J. Duncan.
WATKINS DISTRICT.
J. A. Orman, Presiding Elder.
Fayetteville Station, Green P. Jackson.
WATKINS DISTRICT.
W. D. F. Sawrie, Presiding Elder.
Murfreesboro Station, J. W. Hill.
Shelbyville Station, J. W. Hill.

The Conference agreed to pay its proportion of the assessment of the Publishing House debt.

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Gov. Wylie Blount's Descendants.
It is known that during the week after next the remains of Gov. Wylie Blount will be removed from the family graveyard to Greenwood Cemetery, where the interment will be conducted by imposing ceremonies, in which Gov. Porter, and other eminent Tennesseans will assist. We propose between now and then to compile a memoir of the Governor so far as attainable materials may enable us. Meantime we will correct an error into which our contemporary, the Tobacco Leaf, has been led by inadvertence. He informs us that the Hon. Cave Johnson and Wylie Blount Johnson, who were brothers, married granddaughters of Gov. Wylie Blount. This is a mistake. The ladies whom the Messrs. Johnson married were not granddaughters of Gov. Blount, but sisters of J. B. Dorch, Sr., who married Gov. Blount's daughter. The Johnsons now living, therefore, are not descendants of the Governor, Messrs. W. B. Dorch, of Nashville, and J. B. Dorch, Jr., of this county, (sons of J. B. Dorch, Sr., and of Lucinda Blount) are grandsons of Governor Blount, and they and their children are the only direct descendants of the Governor now living.

A New Vocal Effect.
The last new thing in serenades is a sneezing chorus. It is something very recherche, and is not intended to become common. By way of keeping it select the Board of Mayor and Aldermen have imposed a tax of \$1 each upon every gentleman joining in it, his Honor, the Recorder, being charged with the duty of collecting this tax. Eight young bloods on Wednesday night treated the ladies of the Academy to a performance of it, and manfully paid the tax the next morning.

Among other appointments reported from the Methodist Conference this week, is that of the Rev. T. J. Duncan now stationed at New Providence and Bethel, who has been sent to the Pleasant Valley Circuit in Giles county. Many friends will regret his departure from our neighborhood, and the readers of the CHRONICLE appreciating his frequent contributions to these columns, will follow him with their warmest wishes for his success and happiness.

COLMAN'S RURAL WORLD.—For nearly thirty years this popular Agricultural paper has been visiting Western and Southern farmers, and doing a noble work in improving the homes and home surroundings of its readers. It has labored to introduce improved culture of crops, improved breeds of stock, and increased intelligence among farmers and their families. Every farmer ought to subscribe for it. Published weekly by Norman J. Colman, St. Louis, Mo., at \$2.00 per annum; or 4 copies at \$1.50 each. Sample copies free.

Children's Magazine.
We have to acknowledge from the publishers (D. Lothrop & Co.) the October number of the CHILDREN'S MAGAZINE, an excellent periodical for children, filled with pleasant reading and such illustrations as were unattainable to grown folks when we were young.

THE Board of Directors elected by the stockholders of the Grange Warehouse Association, met on Monday the 8th inst., and organized by the election of W. F. Taylor, president; T. M. Atkins, Secy.; T. Herndon, superintendent; J. H. Smith and T. M. Atkins, inspectors; T. P. Major, book-keeper, and J. R. Oldham, shipping clerk.

It will be seen from their advertisements and specials in another column, that Mrs. Hodgson & Maguire have received their fall and winter stock of millinery goods. The stock was selected by Mrs. Hodgson, which is a guarantee of the quality and of the latest styles. Of course the ladies will call and see the new bonnets.

THE Nashville Banner's leading editorial says, "Dr. Wright, of the Clarksville Chronicle, is the most voluminous editorial paragrapher in the State." That is his leading editorial. Whether it is intended to be complimentary is not quite clear to us—it is certainly not "voluntinous."

MR. OTIS E. DAVISON, formerly of Nashville, has an advertisement in our paper to which we invite the attention of our readers. He has done a great deal of work for our citizens, and in every instance, we believe, has given entire satisfaction. We commend him to those who may need assistance in his line.

Tobacco Fair.
On December 15th, 1877, a Tobacco Fair will be held in Allensville, Ky., by Messrs. Haddox & Bros., who invite the tobacco growers of Todd and Logan counties, Ky., and Robertson county, Tenn., to compete for the prizes offered, which are as follows:

Best Clarksville Shipping Leaf—Premium by Haddox & Bros., a \$500 gold watch.
Best Black Wrapper—Premium by Turner & Kennedy, a \$500 gold watch.
Best African—Premium by Haddox & Bros., a Fine Saddle.

These counties are noted for the superior quality of the tobacco which they grow, and they will no doubt show some fine sample at the Fair.

Editors CHRONICLE: Now that the Street Committee is at work and putting everything in good condition, would it not be right for our City Fathers to open up Second Street South to the corporation line? There are thirty or forty families in South Clarksville who have no street by which they can reach the town. They buy their supplies in town and spend their money here, and it does look like wise policy to give them a good street by which to come in and go out. South Clarksville is the locality in which the city is to be next improved and built up. It is growing steadily, and it is the duty of the City Council to encourage the citizens in that section by giving them a good street.

Big Potatoes.
We have seen a mammoth sweet potato raised in the garden of Mr. Walter Deane, of Clarksville. It was not sent to us editorially, but to a young lady whom Mr. D. wishes to convince that he is ready for housekeeping. Its dimensions are: length, 15 inches; circumference at the thickest part, 20 inches; weight, 8 pounds. If W. D. doesn't win on that potato, the lady is hard to please.

Mr. W. H. Bryant, near Jordan Springs, sends us another potato—weight when dug, 7 pounds.

Public Schools.
Editors CHRONICLE: Assume of our people may not know why our teachers are visiting Nashville, I will make this explanation. As you are aware, our city schools are now graded and we are working under the graded system; our teachers, though, are not as familiar with the workings of this system as we wish them to be—hence we have sent them to Nashville that they may get some idea of the practical workings of graded schools. This can but benefit our teachers. While on this subject I would like to urge upon our people that they visit our schools and see for themselves what we are doing for their children and how we are doing it. We invite at all times friendly criticism.

J. C. Brooks, Sup't.
SAM. JOHNSON advertises the Judge King residence on Greenwood Avenue for sale. Clarksville is bound to improve and Greenwood is bound to get her share of the improvements. Any one wishing to buy a comfortable home near the city, with enough land for a small farm, would do well to see this property.

He also advertises the John F. Taylor farm near Trenton, Ky., for sale. Persons wishing to invest in real estate should not fail to examine the lands he is now offering for sale.

SERENADING does not seem to prosper this week. The sneezing chorus turned out rather expensive on Wednesday night, and we have intelligence of another party out on Thursday night who went home with very wet shirts, and the gentleman who operated the big drum found his boots full of water. Girls, you are too hard upon them; you should allow for good intentions if the music is a little lugubrious.

A Wild Sweet potato (so called), a curious vegetable production plowed up by J. E. Trice near Pea Ridge, is presented us by Mr. John Bromfield. It grows several feet beneath the surface of the ground, and is sometimes rooted up by the hogs. We are inclined to think it analogous to the European truffe, but it has not the peculiar odor of that vegetable.

THE fall fights commenced briskly on Poverty Row last Monday, two personal encounters having occurred, one in the afternoon and another after dark. Either the parties were carefully held or some of them did not need much holding, as no injury resulted beyond one slightly damaged figure-head. We refrain from giving the names.

THE following gentlemen, delegates from the Old Field Lodge No. 12, in this city, leave to-night for Nashville to attend the Grand Lodge and Grand Encampment for the State, which will be held at that city: J. P. Y. Whitfield, H. Alward, John Young, Ewing, Wilcox, Q. C. Atkinson and James Bates.

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Hand bills are out calling on citizens to join in the procession on the 24th inst., on the occasion of the unveiling of the monument erected to the memory of Governor Wiley Blount. Let everybody attend this interesting ceremony. Gov. Porter and ex-Gov. Neil S. Brown have written that they will be present and deliver addresses.

THE County Court at its October term, made a decree on the petition of the devisees of Joshua Elder, deceased, to divide his real estate between his widow and three children equally. B. W. Macrae, James L. Glenn and E. H. Lewis were appointed commissioners to perform that difficult and responsible work.

THE Tobacco Crop.
The crop of tobacco in Cheatham, Montgomery and Robertson counties is across. Very few of the farmers have barn room sufficient to house their crops. A number of the barns have fallen down owing to the heavy weight of the tobacco. Scarcely a farmer in either of the above named counties has less than one thousand pounds. The heart of the merchant is sick at the thought that the crop is so large, and the farmer is consequently made glad. —Nashville Banner.

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I furnished you some facts from the Louisville Conference, and now furnish you some from this. Only eleven preachers in the Tennessee Conference received over one thousand dollars on salary last year, and only eighteen received as much as eight hundred. Only twenty-four received as much as four hundred dollars, while one hundred and twenty-five received less than four hundred. The average salary in the Tennessee Conference, according to the estimate of last year, was about three hundred dollars.

Our Baptist friends who know Bro. Nelson will read with pleasure a sketch of his beautiful little chapel. It is located on one of the most eligible sites in Edgeland, Gothic in style, auditorium about forty by sixty. On entering you behold in large gilt letters suspended over the pulpit these words: "You are welcome to our Church and to our homes." I pronounce their Sunday School room in the basement one of the sweetest and most attractive places for children that I have ever seen. Four or five years ago Bro. N. came here to lead what the faithful might have regarded as "for him hope." No edifice or membership of any consequence, and the cry of hard times ringing in the air; but none of these things moved this energetic man of God, and he now has a handsome church, large membership and a Sunday-school that will strengthen his Church every year. Bro. Nelson is sustained and loved by a noble band of Christian workers. I pray that God may give them abundant success in the future as He has in the past.

On Monday the Conference went into the election of delegates to the General Conference, which meets in Atlanta, Ga., May 1878. It was the most laborious day's work of the Conference, beginning at 9 A. M. and lasting until 6 P. M., and resulting in the election of the following delegates: Clerical—Rev. J. B. McFerrin, D. D., Rev. Wm. Burr, Rev. D. C. Kelley, D. D., Rev. R. A. Young, D. D., Rev. J. B. Allison, Rev. R. K. Hargrove, D. D., Rev. J. B. West, D. D., and Rev. W. Mooney. Alternates—Rev. Jno. F. Hughes, Rev. R. K. Brown, Rev. R. P. Ransom. Lay Delegates—T. D. Fite, N. S. Lupton, William H. Morrow, J. L. Parkes, E. D. Peterson, D. T. Reynolds, S. A. Caldwell and C. R. Head. Alternates—W. H. Morgan, Wm. Hunt, J. B. Palmer and B. J. Turner.

I know that Clarksville and the region round about will rejoice at the compliment paid our fellow citizen, S. A. Caldwell, Esq. I do not believe that a more worthy or efficient layman could be sent on such a mission. After a four years' association with him on the Joint Board of Finance, one of the most difficult and laborious departments of an Annual Conference, I am prepared to say that he is safe and wise in every emergency, and his impulses, loves the Church with fervor, and serves it with zeal rarely witnessed in the methodism of to-day.

TRIBUTE OF RESPECT.
Wm. M. Stewart.
At a meeting of the Faculty of Stewart College the following preamble and resolutions were read and adopted:

Prof. Wm. M. Stewart peacefully breathed his last, at his home, on the afternoon of Wednesday, September 28th, 1877, in the 75th year of his age. This sad event occasions to us as an institution and as a Faculty an irreparable loss. Connected with this College from its inception, more than a quarter of a century, he was its faithful friend and pilot, in the fact that upon its passing into the hands of the Synod of Nashville it was called by his name; acting as its President, its Vice-President, its Professor, President, Trustee and Patron, always trusted and true, earnest and faithful, it is fitting and becoming that we should give expression to our testimony as to the character and worth of him whom the whole community laments. Respected, honored, loved by all, it is not strange that those who were privileged to know him most intimately should have esteemed him most highly. The purity of his life, the gentleness of his manner, the modesty and childlike simplicity which characterized his intercourse with everyone, the frank and generous bearing which he always displayed in every relation, these were some of the more prominent features which endeared him to all; while the high order of his attainments, the wide scope of his education, the acuteness of his intellect, together with the accuracy of his memory, the brilliancy of his conversation, and his evident interest in the progress of his students, all these, together with his large experience and observation, rendered him a coveted companion of those of science and literary tastes and pursuits. And above all, his natural gifts and his moral endowments, the halo of a Christian faith and hope so beautifully illumined his path, and gave to his life a lustre upon every work and occupation of his long and useful life. His interest in the cause of education, and especially in the prosperity of this Institution, continued until the time of his death. The unimpaired donations made by him to this College, in the shape of his magnificent cabinet, library and physical and chemical apparatus, will remain as lasting memorials of his generosity and of his zeal in the advancement of science. By it there is preserved for posterity a record of his life and his work.

Resolved, That in the death of our friend and colleague, Wm. M. Stewart, we mourn the removal of a noble spirit, and that we commend our profound respect and admiration to his family, and his noble attainments, his exalted generosity, and his devotedness to the cause of science and education.

Resolved, That we always reverence and cherish his memory, will endeavor to emulate his noble deeds, and to pattern our lives after his grand type; and that we will stimulate the energies and ambition of the students of this College by relating to them his life and his work, and by presenting to them his noble character as a model for emulation.

Resolved, That we appoint a committee to prepare a memorial to the Synod of Nashville, and to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at an early day, or whenever and wherever it may be deemed appropriate.

Resolved, That we appoint a committee to spread upon our record book, that it be read in the Chapel to-morrow morning, that a copy be transmitted to the family of the deceased, and that it be published in the Nashville Leaf of the 1st of October.

We are requested to give notice that Dixie and Port Royal Granges will give a barbecue and picnic near Herring's Store, on the Port Royal road, on Saturday, October 20. Prof. Williams, of Elkton, will deliver an address on the occasion.

MISS KATE ROGERS, Prof. Yarell and Miss Lou. Lovell, of the public schools, have been in Nashville this week visiting the public schools of that city.

On Saturday, Oct. 20th, Polk G. Johnson will sell, the Dillworth farm just opposite the city. See advertisement.

Notice to the Constables of Montgomery County.
I will be prepared to hand out the lists of uncollected taxes assessed for the year 1876 on Wednesday, Oct. 25, 1877. Come on that day and be prepared to execute bonds with sureties as provided by law.

Early & Ladder Company, Attention.
The members of the H. & L. Company are requested to meet promptly at their hall on Thursday, the 18th inst., at 7 o'clock sharp, to perfect arrangements and drill for joining in the ceremonies on the occasion of unveiling the monument of ex-Gov. Wylie Blount on the 24th inst.

J. B. REYNOLDS, Captain, pro tem.
Two upstairs rooms for rent, over over Matill's, the other over Glasscock's Saddlery Store. Apply at Oct. 13, 1877-f.

LADIES can purchase at Mrs. Hodgson & Maguire's the most stylish Cloaks in Clarksville.

We have a new, large and well assorted stock of Job type and paper on hand, and are prepared to execute work with neatness.

NEW JEWELRY FIRM.
Rohrer and Auling, Postoffice Building, Clarksville, Tenn.
I beg leave to inform my patrons and the public in general that I have taken Mr. Henry Auling as a partner in my business and that, from the 20th of September, we will carry on our business as watchmakers and jewelers under the firm name of ROYSTER, AULING, and Auling, at the old place in the Postoffice, with a fine selection of watches, clocks, spectacles, etc.

Mr. Auling is a thoroughly practical watchmaker, fully competent to repair the finest watches and the finest French clocks or to make new ones. What I am able to do is sufficiently known to the public. My customers may therefore be assured that they will be waited upon by us to their fullest satisfaction. All work done and all goods sold by us are warranted, and if not satisfactory, money will be refunded.

Returning my hearty thanks to my customers for the confidence placed in me, I beg them, as well as the public in general, to favor the new firm with their calls. Respectfully,
THOMAS ROYSTER,
Watchmaker and Jeweler.

Referring to the above announcement of Mr. Royster, I take the liberty to inform the public that, after an apprenticeship of five years in the most prominent watch establishment of Bremen, Germany, at A. Felsing's, and seven years of work in some of the best establishments of Germany as well as in the United States, I may justly assert that I am able to meet all the requirements in the watchmaking business. For the last three months I was the only workman at Mr. L. Gauchat's in this city, and those ladies and gentlemen who, during that time, have had their watches repaired at the above place, may know what kind of work I furnish. Being now determined to work no longer as a mere journeyman, I have entered into a partnership with Mr. Royster, and therefore I request the public to favor us with their calls.

HENRY AULING, Postoffice, Clarksville, Tenn., Sept. 22-f.

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Our Baptist friends who know Bro. Nelson will read with pleasure a sketch of his beautiful little chapel. It is located on one of the most eligible sites in Edgeland, Gothic in style, auditorium about forty by sixty. On entering you behold in large gilt letters suspended over the pulpit these words: "You are welcome to our Church and to our homes." I pronounce their Sunday School room in the basement one of the sweetest and most attractive places for children that I have ever seen. Four or five years ago Bro. N. came here to lead what the faithful might have regarded as "for him hope." No edifice or membership of any consequence, and the cry of hard times ringing in the air; but none of these things moved this energetic man of God, and he now has a handsome church, large membership and a Sunday-school that will strengthen his Church every year. Bro. Nelson is sustained and loved by a noble band of Christian workers. I pray that God may give them abundant success in the future as He has in the past.

On Monday the Conference went into the election of delegates to the General Conference, which meets in Atlanta, Ga., May 1878. It was the most laborious day's work of the Conference, beginning at 9 A. M. and lasting until 6 P. M., and resulting in the election of the following delegates: Clerical—Rev. J. B. McFerrin, D. D., Rev. Wm. Burr, Rev. D. C. Kelley, D. D., Rev. R. A. Young, D. D., Rev. J. B. Allison, Rev. R. K. Hargrove, D. D., Rev. J. B. West, D. D., and Rev. W. Mooney. Alternates—Rev. Jno. F. Hughes, Rev. R. K. Brown, Rev. R. P. Ransom. Lay Delegates—T. D. Fite, N. S. Lupton, William H. Morrow, J. L. Parkes, E. D. Peterson, D. T. Reynolds, S. A. Caldwell and C. R. Head. Alternates—W. H. Morgan, Wm. Hunt, J. B. Palmer and B. J. Turner.